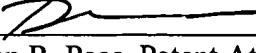




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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the above-identified patent application be amended as follows: